

SENTENCING ORDER

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF Faulkner COUNTY, ARKANSAS,
Twentieth JUDICIAL DISTRICT 3 DIVISION

On 8/31/2026 the Defendant appeared before the Court, was advised of the nature of the charge(s), of Constitutional and legal rights, of the effect of a guilty plea upon those rights, and of the right to make a statement before sentencing.

Offender	Defendant [Last, First, MI]	Cossey, William	DOB	4/9/1975	Sex ☒ Male ☐ Female	Total Number of Counts	3
	SID #		Race/Ethnicity ☒ White ☐ Black or African American ☐ Hispanic ☐ Asian ☐ Other ☐ American Indian or Alaskan Native ☐ Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Island				
Supervision Status at Time of Offense							
Court Info	Judge	Charles Clawson III				File Stamp FILED IN COURT DATE <u>8/31/2026</u> Nancy Eastham, Clerk By <u>QW</u> @ <u>3:45 PM</u> DC	
	Prosecuting Attorney/Deputy	Colin Wall					
	Defendant's Attorney	Tabatha Branch ☐ Private ☒ Public Defender Appointed					
Change of Venue ☐ Yes ☒ No If Yes, from:							
Legal Statements	☐ Pursuant to A.C.A. ☒ §16-93-301 et seq., or ☐ this Court, without making a finding of guilt or entering a judgment of guilt and with the consent of the Defendant defers further proceedings and places the Defendant on probation.						
	There being no legal cause shown by the Defendant, as requested, why judgment should not be pronounced, a judgment: is hereby entered against the Defendant on each charge enumerated, fines levied, and court costs assessed. Defendant was advised of the conditions of the sentence and/or placement on probation and understands the consequences of violating those conditions. The Court retains jurisdiction during the period of probation/suspension and may change or set aside the conditions of probation/suspension for violations or failure to satisfy Arkansas Division of Community Correction (A.C.C.) rules and regulations.						
	☒ of conviction is hereby entered against the Defendant on each charge enumerated, fines levied, and court costs assessed. The Defendant is sentenced to the Arkansas Division of Correction (A.D.C.) for the term specified on each offense shown below.						
	Defendant made a voluntary, knowing and intelligent waiver of right to counsel. ☐ Yes ☒ No						
Offense # 1	A.C.A. # of Offense/ Name of Offense+	5-27-306(a)(1)&(b)(2) - Internet Stalking of a Child - Meeting Actually Occurs w/ a Child				Case # 2026-169	
	A.C.A. # Original Charged Offense	ATN FLK004135499		Offense was ☒ Nolle Prossed ☒ Dismissed ☒ Acquitted			
	Appeal from District Court ☐ Yes ☒ No		Probation/SIS Revocation+ ☐ Yes ☒ No				
	Offense Date	2/18/2026	Offense is ☒ Felony ☐ Misd. ☐ Viol.	Offense Classification ☒ Y ☐ A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D ☐ U			
	Number of Counts:	1	Criminal History Score	2	Seriousness Level:	8	Defendant ☒ Attempted ☒ Solicited ☒ Conspired to Commit the Offense
	Presumptive Sentence	☒ Prison Sentence of <u>120</u> to <u>300</u> months		☐ Community Corrections Center		☐ Alternative Sanction	
	Defendant Sentence* (see Page 2)	Imposed <u>240</u> months PRS <u> </u> months ☒ ADC ☐ Jud. Trans. ☐ County Jail		If probation or SIS accompanied by period of confinement, state <u> </u> days or <u> </u> months.		Sentence was enhanced <u> </u> additional months, pursuant to	
	Probation <u>0</u> months	SIS <u>0</u> months	A.C.A. §§		Enhancement(s) is to run ☒ Concurrent ☒ Consecutive		
	Other <u> </u>	Defendant was sentenced as a habitual offender, pursuant to A.C.A. § 5-4-501, subsection		☒ (a) ☐ (b) ☐ (c) ☐ (d)			
	Victim Info# (see Page 2) [Multiple Victims] ☒ N/A ☐ Yes ☐ No	Age	Sex ☒ Male ☐ Female	Race & Ethnicity ☒ White ☐ Black ☐ Asian ☐ Native American ☐ Pacific Islander ☐ Other ☐ Unknown ☐ Hispanic			
Defendant voluntarily, intelligently and knowingly entered a ☒ negotiated plea of ☒ guilty or ☐ nolo contendere ☐ plea directly to the court of ☐ guilty or ☐ nolo contendere which was accepted by the court.		Defendant: ☐ was sentenced pursuant to ☒ §16-93-301 et seq., or ☐ Other §§ ☐ entered a plea and was sentenced by a jury. ☐ was found guilty by the court & sentenced by ☐ court ☐ jury ☐ was found guilty at a jury trial & sentenced by ☐ court ☐ jury ☐ was found guilty of lesser offense by ☐ court ☐ jury					
Sentence is a Departure ☐ Yes ☒ No		Sentence Departure is ☐ Durational or ☐ Dispositional If Durational, state how many months above/below the Presumptive sentence: <u>0</u>					
Departure Reason (see Page 2 for a list of reasons) Aggravating # <u> </u> or Mitigating # <u> </u> . (For Agg #17, Mit #9, or departure from guidelines, explain: <u> </u>)		Sentence will run ☒ Consecutive ☐ Concurrent to Offense # <u>23</u> or Case # <u> </u>					

Defendant's Full Name: Cossey, William

A.C.A. # of Offense/ Name of Offense+ 5-18-107(b)&(c) - Traveling for the Purpose of an Unlawful Sex Act with a Minor		Case # 2026-169	
A.C.A. # Original Charged Offense		ATN FLK004135499	Offense was ☒ Nolle Prossed ☒ Dismissed ☒ Acquitted
		Appeal from District Court ☐ Yes ☒ No	Probation/SIS Revocation+ ☐ Yes ☒ No
Offense Date 2/18/2026	Offense is ☒ Felony ☐ Misd. ☐ Viol.	Offense Classification ☐ Y ☐ A ☒ B ☐ C ☐ D ☐ U	
Number of Counts: 1	Criminal History Score 2	Seriousness Level: 7	Defendant ☒ Attempted ☒ Solicited ☒ Conspired to Commit the Offense
Presumptive Sentence ☒ Prison Sentence of 84 to 180 months		☒ Community Corrections Center ☒ Alternative Sanction	
Defendant Sentence* (see Page 2) Imposed 240months PRS _____ months ☒ ADC ☐ Jud. Trans. ☐ County Jail Probation 0 months SIS 0 months Other _____		If probation or SIS accompanied by period of confinement, state _____ days or _____ months. Sentence was enhanced _____ additional months, pursuant to A.C.A. §§ _____ Enhancement(s) is to run ☒ Concurrent ☒ Consecutive Defendant was sentenced as a habitual offender, pursuant to A.C.A. § 5-4-501, subsection ☒ (a) ☐ (b) ☐ (c) ☐ (d)	
Victim Info# (see Page 2) ☒ N/A [Multiple Victims] ☐ Yes ☒ No		Age _____	Sex ☒ Male ☐ Female Race & Ethnicity ☒ White ☐ Black ☐ Asian ☐ Native American ☐ Pacific Islander ☐ Other ☐ Unknown ☐ Hispanic
Defendant voluntarily, intelligently and knowingly entered a ☒ negotiated plea of ☒ guilty or ☐ nolo contendere ☐ plea directly to the court of ☐ guilty or ☐ nolo contendere which was accepted by the court.		Defendant: ☐ was sentenced pursuant to ☒ §16-93-301 et seq., or ☐ Other §§ _____ ☐ entered a plea and was sentenced by a jury. ☐ was found guilty by the court & sentenced by ☐ court ☐ jury ☐ was found guilty at a jury trial & sentenced by ☐ court ☐ jury ☐ was found guilty of lesser offense by ☐ court ☐ jury	
Sentence is a Departure ☒ Yes ☐ No		Sentence Departure is ☒ Durational or ☐ Dispositional If Durational, state how many months above/below the Presumptive sentence: 60	
Departure Reason (see Page 2 for a list of reasons) Aggravating # _____ or Mitigating # _____ . (For Agg #17, Mit #9, or departure from guidelines, explain: _____)		Sentence will run ☐ Consecutive ☒ Concurrent to Offense # 13 or Case # _____	

A.C.A. # of Offense/ Name of Offense+ 5-14-110 - Sexual Indecency With a Child (8/12/2005 and thereafter)		Case # 2026-169	
A.C.A. # Original Charged Offense		ATN FLK004135499	Offense was ☒ Nolle Prossed ☒ Dismissed ☒ Acquitted
		Appeal from District Court ☐ Yes ☒ No	Probation/SIS Revocation+ ☐ Yes ☒ No
Offense Date 2/18/2026	Offense is ☒ Felony ☐ Misd. ☐ Viol.	Offense Classification ☐ Y ☐ A ☐ B ☐ C ☒ D ☐ U	
Number of Counts: 1	Criminal History Score 2	Seriousness Level: 4	Defendant ☒ Attempted ☒ Solicited ☒ Conspired to Commit the Offense
Presumptive Sentence ☒ Prison Sentence of 24 to 60 months		☒ Community Corrections Center ☒ Alternative Sanction	
Defendant Sentence* (see Page 2) Imposed 60months PRS _____ months ☒ ADC ☐ Jud. Trans. ☐ County Jail Probation 0 months SIS 0 months Other _____		If probation or SIS accompanied by period of confinement, state _____ days or _____ months. Sentence was enhanced _____ additional months, pursuant to A.C.A. §§ _____ Enhancement(s) is to run ☒ Concurrent ☒ Consecutive Defendant was sentenced as a habitual offender, pursuant to A.C.A. § 5-4-501, subsection ☒ (a) ☐ (b) ☐ (c) ☐ (d)	
Victim Info# (see Page 2) ☒ N/A [Multiple Victims] ☐ Yes ☒ No		Age _____	Sex ☒ Male ☐ Female Race & Ethnicity ☒ White ☐ Black ☐ Asian ☐ Native American ☐ Pacific Islander ☐ Other ☐ Unknown ☐ Hispanic
Defendant voluntarily, intelligently and knowingly entered a ☒ negotiated plea of ☒ guilty or ☐ nolo contendere ☐ plea directly to the court of ☐ guilty or ☐ nolo contendere which was accepted by the court.		Defendant: ☐ was sentenced pursuant to ☒ §16-93-301 et seq., or ☐ Other §§ _____ ☐ entered a plea and was sentenced by a jury. ☐ was found guilty by the court & sentenced by ☐ court ☐ jury ☐ was found guilty at a jury trial & sentenced by ☐ court ☐ jury ☐ was found guilty of lesser offense by ☐ court ☐ jury	
Sentence is a Departure ☐ Yes ☒ No		Sentence Departure is ☐ Durational or ☐ Dispositional If Durational, state how many months above/below the Presumptive sentence: 0	
Departure Reason (see Page 2 for a list of reasons) Aggravating # _____ or Mitigating # _____ . (For Agg #17, Mit #9, or departure from guidelines, explain: _____)		Sentence will run ☐ Consecutive ☒ Concurrent to Offense # 12 or Case # _____	

Defendant's Full Name: Cossey, William

Special Conditions

Sex Offenses

Defendant has been adjudicated guilty of an offense requiring sex offender registration and must complete the Sex Offender Registration Form and pay the Mandatory Sex Offender Fee of \$250. ☐ Yes ☒ No

Defendant has committed an aggravated sex offense as defined in A.C.A. §12-12-903

☐ Yes ☒ No

Defendant is alleged to be a sexually dangerous person and is ordered to undergo an evaluation at a facility designated by A.D.C. pursuant to A.C.A. §12-12-918.

☐ Yes ☒ No

Defendant, who has been adjudicated guilty of an offense requiring registration, has been adjudicated guilty of a prior sex offense under a separate case number. ☒ Yes ☐ No
If yes, list prior case numbers:

Domestic Violence Offenses

Defendant has been adjudicated guilty of a domestic-violence related offense and must pay Additional court costs of \$25 Under Act 583 of 2017. ☐ Yes ☒ No

Defendant was originally charged with a domestic-violence related offense. ☐ Yes ☒ No

If Yes, state the A.C.A. # of the Offense:

If Yes to either question, identify the relationship of the victim to the Defendant by offense number.

DNA Sample / Qualifying Offenses

Defendant has been adjudicated guilty of a qualifying offense or repeat offense (as defined in A.C.A. §12-12-1103). ☐ Yes ☒ No

Defendant is ordered to have a DNA sample drawn at ☐ an A.C.C. Facility ☐ the A.D.C. or ☐ Other

Drug Crime

Defendant has been convicted guilty of a drug crime as defined in A.C.A. §12-17-101. ☐ Yes ☒ No

Fines, Fees, Restitution

Court Costs	\$ 100.00	Restitution \$ _____ Payable to {if multiple beneficiaries, give names and payment priority} _____
Fines	\$	
Booking/Admin Fees (\$40)	\$ 40.00	Terms ☐ Due Immediately ☒ Installments of \$: \$50 per payment with a monthly installment fee of \$ 10.00 ☒ Payments must be made within 30 days of release from D. O. C. ☐ Upon release from confinement, Defendant must return to court to establish payment of restitution. ☐ Restitution is joint and several with co-defendant(s) who was found guilty. List name(s) and case number(s). _____
Drug Crime Assessment Fee (\$150)	\$	
DNA Sample Fee (\$250)	\$	
Children's Advocacy Center Fund Fee	\$	
Public Defender User Fee	\$ 100.00	
Public Defender Attorney Fee	\$	
Other (explain)	\$50.00	
sheriff warrant fee \$50.00		

Sentence Options

Defendant was convicted of a target offense(s) and is sentenced pursuant to provisions of the Community Punishment Act. ☐ Yes ☒ No		Extended Juvenile Jurisdiction Applied ☐ Yes ☒ No	
Pursuant to Community Punishment Act, the defendant shall be eligible to have his/her records sealed. ☐ Yes ☒ No			
JAIL TIME CREDIT In days: 195	TOTAL TIME TO BE SERVED FOR ALL OFFENSES In months: 240 Other _____	Death Penalty ☐ Yes ☒ No	If Yes, State Execution Date
DEFENDANT IS ASSIGNED TO: ☒ ADC ☐ ADC. Admin. Transfer NOT Authorized ☐ CCC ☐ COUNTY JAIL ☐ PROBATION ☐ SIS			
Conditions of disposition or probation are attached. ☐ Yes ☒ No			
A copy of the pre-sentence investigation on sentencing information is attached ☐ Yes ☒ No		☐ Defendant has previously failed a drug court program.	
A copy of the Prosecutor's Short Report is attached ☒ Yes ☐ No			
DEFENDANT WAS INFORMED OF APPELLATE RIGHTS ☒ Yes ☐ No		Appeal Bond \$	
The County Sheriff is hereby ordered to: ☐ transport the defendant to county jail ☐ take custody for referral to CCC ☒ transport to ADC			
Defendant shall report to ACC probation officer for report date to CCC ☐ Yes ☒ No			

Additional Info

According to 16-13-704, the Faulkner Co. Sheriff's Dept. shall collect an additional \$10 per mo. assessment on each installment payment made. Payable to: Faulkner Co. Sheriff's Dept.

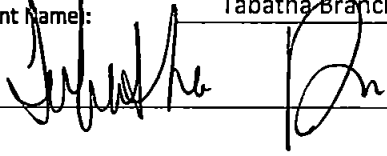
Defendant's Full Name:

Cossey, William

Defense Counsel (Print Name):

Tabatha Branch

Signature:



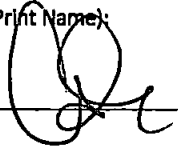
Date:

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Prosecuting Attorney/Deputy(Print Name):

Colin Wall

Signature:



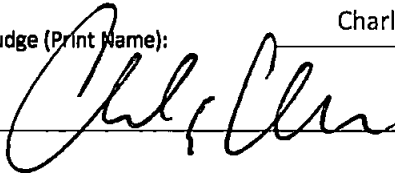
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Circuit Court Judge (Print Name):

Charles Clawson III

Signature:



Date:

8/31/26

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PROSECUTOR'S REPORT

STATE OF ARKANSAS VS WILLIAM COSSEY
FAULKNER COUNTY CIRCUIT COURT NO. CR-26-169

On February 18, 2026, Predator Poachers came to Arkansas. That same day the defendant, a level 3 sex offender, believed he was communicating with a 13 year old boy, and was going to engage in "butt sex" when meeting up with him. The defendant brought a pizza with him for the meeting.

Alex Rosen and Jesus Vaquera run an organization called Predator Poachers, where they attempt to locate and identify child predators. Alex created a TikTok account for an imaginary 13-year-old named Brian James. When police arrived, they made contact with the defendant and the Predator Poacher members, who provided law enforcement several pages of messages between the defendant and the undercover profile. The conversation began January 4, 2026, where "Brian" told the defendant he was a 13 year old male in the third communication. Later, "Brian" asks the defendant, "you don't mind that I'm 13," to which the defendant replies, "I don't mind your 13." The defendant continues to describe what having a boyfriend would be like, and describes what a sexual encounter would be, including oral sex and anal sex. The defendant suggests they meet up and later sends a photo of himself in his underwear. The defendant admitted to speaking to "Brian" on TikTok, and then exchanged phone numbers, and admitted he knew the victim was 13, that his name was Brian, but claims he did not plan to have sex with anyone. The defendant also admitted having a condom and lubricant in his car.

On August 31, 2026, the defendant pled and was sentenced to 240 months to the Arkansas Department of Corrections.

Notify in case of Parole:

Investigator
Conway Police Department
1105 Prairie St
Conway, AR 72034

Or

Investigator
Faulkner County Sheriff's Office
801 Locust St
Conway, AR 72034

Or

20th Judicial District Drug Crime Task Force
P.O. Box 550
Conway, AR 72033

Faulkner County Adult Parole & Probation Office
Area 6 Arkansas Department of Community Corrections
707 Robinson Street, Ste 102
Conway, AR 72047



PROSECUTING ATTORNEY OR DEPUTY


CIRCUIT JUDGE